

**AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS*****Listing of claims:***

1. (Currently Amended) A method for processing a batch job, comprising:  
wrapping the batch job to create an application programming interface for communication with a batch framework, the batch framework comprising a batch dispatcher class, and the batch dispatcher class further comprising a method to execute the batch job; and  
invoking the batch framework according to a predetermined schedule via execution of a command line parameter, wherein the method provides for efficient reuse of programming code and platform independence by encapsulating the batch job and providing a uniform application programming interface for an application processing the batch job according to the method.
2. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the batch job resides locally with the batch framework.
3. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the batch job resides remotely from the batch framework.
4. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the batch framework is invoked by a scheduling service.
5. (Original) The process of claim 2 wherein the batch framework is invoked by a scheduling service.
6. (Original) The process of claim 3 wherein the batch framework is invoked by a scheduling service.
7. (Original) The process of claim 4 wherein the scheduling service is AutoSys.

| 8. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 7 where the AutoSys further executes ~~a-the~~ command line parameter.

9. (Original) The process of claim 8 wherein the command line parameter is a Unix shell script.

10. (Original) The process of claim 8 wherein the command line parameter is a Windows NT batch file.

11. (Original) The process of claim 5 wherein the scheduling service is AutoSys.

| 12. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 11 where the AutoSys further executes ~~a-the~~ command line parameter.

13. (Original) The process of claim 12 wherein the command line parameter is a Unix shell script.

14. (Original) The process of claim 12 wherein the command line parameter is a Windows NT batch file.

15. (Original) The process of claim 6 wherein the scheduling service is AutoSys.

| 16. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 15 where the AutoSys further executes ~~a-the~~ command line parameter.

17. (Original) The process of claim 16 wherein the command line parameter is a Unix shell script.

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18. (Original) The process of claim 16 wherein the command line parameter is a Windows NT batch file.

19. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1 wherein the batch framework is a Java framework.

20. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1 wherein the application programming interface for communication with the batch framework is a Java application programming interface.

21. (New) The process of claim 1 wherein the command line parameter comprises a class name, a method name, and one or more method parameters.